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(54) ALKYD RESIN-MODIFIED DISPERSIONS

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 5 80, Federal Republic of Germany, do
 hereby declare the invention, for which we
 pray that a patent may be granted to us,
 and the method by which it is to be per-
 formed, to be particularly described in and
 10 by the following statement:—

This invention relates to alkyd resin-
 modified dispersions which are especially
 suitable for the preparation of elastic
 paints and armouring adhesives.

15 Several processes have been proposed to
 incorporate alkyd resins into aqueous paint
 systems. British Patent No. 1,151,727, for
 example, describes the addition of an
 alkyd resin dissolved in an organic solvent
 20 to a pigment paste which is then incor-
 porated into an aqueous plastics disper-
 sion. A publication made by Messrs.
 Goodrich Chem. Comp. in Journal of Paint
 Technology No. 508, May 1967, Pages
 25 300 — 308 comments on alkyd resin
 additions to aqueous dispersion paints
 based on vinyl chloride/acrylate and vinyl
 acetate co-polymer dispersions, according
 to which the alkyd resin is incorporated
 30 into a pigment paste containing non-ionic
 wetting agents, cellulose derivatives, sol-
 vents and polyphosphates. In another work-
 ing procedure, the alkyd resin-containing
 pigment paste is added to the above men-
 35 tioned aqueous plastics dispersions.

The present invention provides an alkyd
 resin-modified dispersion derived from 100
 parts by weight of an aqueous dispersion
 of

- 40 (a) a copolymer of vinyl acetate and a
 vinyl ester of a branched monocar-
 boxylic acid, and/or
 (b) a copolymer of vinyl acetate, a vinyl
 ester of a branched monocarboxylic
 45 acid and an acrylic acid ester, and/or

(c) a copolymer of vinyl acetate and a
 maleic acid ester
 having a solids content of from 45 to 60%,
 and from 25 to 10 parts by weight of an
 alkyd resin emulsion, the weight ratio of 50
 solid plastics polymer to solid alkyd resin
 being from 75 : 25 to 90 : 10, together
 with a stabilizer.

The advantage of the dispersion accord-
 ing to the present invention over the pro- 55
 ducts prepared in accordance with the pre-
 ceding processes resides in the fact that
 the alkyd resin is present in the finished
 dispersion in emulsified form. By the
 selection of a specific alkyd resin and due 60
 to a special mixing ratio between disper-
 sion and alkyd resin and a corresponding
 emulsifier system, alkyd resin-modified
 dispersions are obtained having a shelf
 life of several months. The alkyd resin is 65
 added in emulsified form so that the resin
 can be incorporated into the additionally
 stabilized aqueous plastics dispersion with-
 out prior dissolution in solvents.

The dispersion obtained according to the 70
 present invention can be used for the pre-
 paration of paints and armouring adhesives
 and may be applied as elastic paint layers
 on many different surfaces such as wood,
 concrete, asbestos-cement and masonry. 75

Owing to its good adhesion the dispersion
 is suitable for preparing primer coatings
 and paints for the restoration or con-solid-
 ation of old, chalking and porous surfaces.

Wet adhesion is improved when apply- 80
 ing paints prepared from the dispersion
 according to the present invention in de-
 termined pigmentation ranges on old sur-
 faces coated with alkyd resin paints. In the
 case of high-pigmented paints the portion 85
 of alkyd resin contained in the dispersion
 ensures a higher fastness to wet abrasion.
 Moreover, the paints obtained with the
 alkyd resin-modified dispersion can be
 easily spread and impart to the colour a 90

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varnish-like appearance.

The high film elasticity of the dispersion according to the present invention in pigmented or unpigmented state offers the possibility of preparing smooth reinforcements to cover shrinkage and settling cracks in concrete, plaster and masonry. Dried dispersion films having a thickness of 0.5 mm show an elongation of about 2000% (elongation at break according to DIN 53 371). The elongation at break of pigmented, dried films (pigment/filler ratio 1 : 1, based on the solids content of the dispersion) is approximately 1000%. Comparative conventional dispersion systems show a lower elasticity with the same pigmentation ratio. The addition of the alkyd resin causes the formation of an adhesion bridge to the treated surface. Moreover, due to the high inherent elongation of the adhesive an interposed elastic fabric is supported by this adhesive so that the occurring forces are evenly distributed over the whole surface. All tensile and strain stresses are thus uniformly absorbed and are not transmitted to the top coating, thereby reducing the susceptibility to form cracks.

The preparation of the alkyd-resin-modified dispersions according to the present invention is advantageously carried out in such a way that 100 parts by weight of the aqueous plastics dispersion (solid content 45 to 60%) are placed in a vessel and mixed while stirring with about 0.1 part by weight of a suitable defoamer and from 20 to 8 parts by weight of a stabilizer, for example a 5 to 2% high-viscosity and/or low-viscosity hydroxyethyl cellulose solution in water (Hoppler viscosity of the 2% hydroxyethyl cellulose solution 1000 to 10000 cP). 25 to 10 parts by weight of an alkyd resin emulsion are subsequently added while the stirrer is running slowly. After stirring for 10 minutes mixing is terminated. The weight ratio solid plastics polymer: alkyd resin (solid) is in the range of from 75 : 25 to 90 : 10 according to the mixing ratio.

To prepare the alkyd resin emulsion, for example, from 10 to 40 parts by weight of water, from 0.5 to 2 parts by weight of ammonia (concentrated) and from 1 to 3 parts by weight of a water-soluble, surface-active substance (polyglycol ether having a degree of oxethylation of from 4 to 30) are introduced in a vessel and 70 parts by weight of a long oil alkyd resin are emulsified therein. Any long oil alkyd resins may be employed, preferably Safflower alkyd resin (from safflower oil), soya or linseed oil alkyd resin. With a resin content of 100% Safflower alkyd resin is low-viscous (20 to 250 cP, 20°C; determined by a Hoppler viscometer) and is capable of being stirred into the dispersion in emulsified

form without having been dissolved in an organic solvent. This resin represents a super fat alkyd resin having an acid content of more than 80% and is resistant to yellowing. As described above, optimum emulsification of the alkyd resin can be obtained with a combination of ammonia and surface-active substances. The addition of hydroxyethyl cellulose brings about an additional stabilization of the dispersion.

The dispersion of the present invention can be used to prepare dispersion paints for wood, masonry, concrete, asbestos-cement, old paint coatings and interiors. For these dispersion paints the weight ratio of pigment and filler to binder is advantageously between 0.6 : 1 and 9 : 1. For the preparation of the paints there may be used, besides the customary fillers and pigments, thickeners, wetting agents, defoamers, preservatives, and solvents, for example, mineral spirit, spirits of turpentine, and butyldiglycol acetate as film consolidating agent. Since the dispersion requires a low minimum film-forming temperature, it is sufficient to add from 1 to 3% of a solvent based on the dispersion paint. An addition of from 0.5 to 1% of a paint drier is preferably added in order to ensure a more rapid drying of the paints.

The following Examples illustrate the invention.

EXAMPLE 1: An alkyd resin modified dispersion was prepared in the manner described above from:

100.0 parts by weight of a dispersion of a copolymer of vinyl acetate and Versatic (registered Trade Mark) acid vinyl ester (esters of long chain branched dicarboxylic acids, producer: Shell Chemie)

0.1 part by weight of a defoamer (Nopco (registered Trade Mark) NXZ by Nopco Chem. Co., Harrison N.J., USA)

8.0 parts by weight of a 2% solution of Natrosol (registered Trade Mark) 250 H (hydroxyethyl cellulose)

18.0 parts by weight of an alkyd resin emulsion of 70% strength (terephthalic acid-soya alkyd resin)

Ratio emulsion polymer: alkyd resin (solid) 80 : 20

EXAMPLE 2: An alkyd resin modified dispersion was prepared in the manner described above from:

100 parts by weight of vinyl acetate/Versatic acid vinyl ester copolymer dispersion

0.1 part by weight of a defoamer (Nopco NXZ)

8.0 parts by weight of a 2% solution of Natrosol 250 H

12.8 parts by weight of an alkyd resin emulsion of 70% strength (terephthalic

acid — soya alkyd resin)
Ratio emulsion polymer: alkyd resin
(solid) 85 : 15

WHAT WE CLAIM IS:—

- 5 1. An alkyd resin-modified dispersion
derived from 100 parts by weight of an
aqueous dispersion of
 - (a) a copolymer of vinyl acetate and a
10 vinyl ester of a branched monocar-
boxylic acid, and/or
 - (b) a copolymer of vinyl acetate, a vinyl
ester of a branched monocarboxylic
acid and an acrylic acid ester, and/or
 - (c) a copolymer of vinyl acetate and a
15 maleic acid ester
 having a solids content of from 45 to 60%,
and from 25 to 10 parts by weight of an
alkyd resin emulsion, the weight ratio of
said plastics polymer to solid alkyd resin
20 being from 75 : 25 to 90 : 10, together
with a stabilizer.
2. An alkyd resin-modified dispersion
according to claim 1, wherein the stabilizer
is a 5 to 2% high-and/or low-viscosity
25 hydroxyethyl cellulose aqueous solution
which is present in an amount of from 8
to 20 parts by weight.

3. An alkyd resin-modified dispersion
according to claim 1 or claim 2, and con-
taining about 0.1 part of weight of a de- 30
foamer.

4. An alkyd-resin modified dispersion
according to any one of claims 1 to 3,
wherein the alkyd resin emulsion is pre-
pared from 70 parts by weight of a long oil 35
alkyd resin having fatty acid content of
more than 80%, from 10 to 40 parts by
weight of water and a combination of from
0.5 to 2 parts by weight of concentrated
ammonia and from 1 to 3 parts by weight 40
of a water soluble, surface-active substance,
preferably a polyglycol ether having a de-
gree of oxethylation of from 4 to 30.

5. An alkyd resin-modified dispersion
as claimed in claim 1, substantially as 45
described in the Examples herein.

6. An elastic paint or adhesive con-
taining an alkyd resin-modified dispersion
as claimed in any one of claims 1 to 5.

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